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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1895.

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T. JACKSON,

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
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THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC
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SATURDAY, the 8th February, 1896,
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TICKETS can be obtained at the THEATRE
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WILL BE TAKEN at the Booking Office.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1896.

Intimations.

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W. JACKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

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the Proprietors of "The Hongkong Telegraph".

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ESTABLISHED A.D. 1821.

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at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896.

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NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS
at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

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NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agents.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 25th May, 1895.

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GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000

EQUAL to \$60,000

RESERVE FUND \$38,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895.

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Intimations.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings,
TO-MORROW, the 30th January, 1896, at
12 o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of Receiving
the Report of the Board of Directors, together
with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve
Months ending 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from SATURDAY the 25th
January to THURSDAY the 30th January, 1896,
(both days inclusive), during which period no
Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1896.

Intimations.

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WATKINS & CO., APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1896.

TODAY'S Advertisements.

GYMNASTIC, BOXING AND FENCING COMPETITION.

will take place at THE VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB TOMORROW (THURSDAY), 30th and FRIDAY, 31st Inst., Commanding at 5 p.m.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

"FOOCHOW," Captain Blackburne, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Captain Price, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

"SUNGKIAN," Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 1st February, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"OCEANA," Captain H. Formes, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 1st February, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA SINGAPORE,

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THE Company's Steamship

"KAISOW," E. Warrell, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 2nd and February.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

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Having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.

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THE Steamship

"DISAGNO," Captain Dodero, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th February, at Noon.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For Further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

TO LET.

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HOUSES in RYPON TERRACE, No. 3, ALVESTON TERRACE, No. 17, LYNDHURST TERRACE, No. 10, STEWART TERRACE, at the PEAK. Semi-detached, Side Windows facing South. Good Terms. Cost, Rent \$40 Unfurnished, \$65 Furnished.

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Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" will be on sale at the Hongkong and Victoria Hotels, opposite the Hongkong Club, and at Pedder's Wharf, EVERY EVENING from 5.30 to 7.30 o'clock.

PRICE.....TEN CENTS.

Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate—5 cents.

Advertisers are reminded that the Hongkong Telegraph has by far the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East. THIS IS GUARANTEED. Terms on application.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1895.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1896.

BIRTH.

On the 18th instant, at Santa Ana, Manila, the wife of WALTER A. FITTON (alias CAMERON) of a daughter. Melbourne (Australia) papers please copy.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Sporting Notes are held over till to-morrow.

THE V.R.C. athletic sports commence to-morrow at 5 p.m.

The alarm of fire at 6.15 this evening was due to some grass burning at West Point.

Very unfavorable reports have come to hand of the rice crop in western Cochinchina. The whole crop is considered about the worst for the last decade.

A VINE of gas and confiscation of his stock in trade was the penalty inflicted upon a Chinese "doctor" this morning for selling medicated samshoo without a permit.

A few days ago a sooth named Umida was removed from the gallery of the House of Representatives for crying out that the members possessed "three hundred donkey's heads, all rotten and corrupt."

A COOLIE charged with being concerned in the armed attack on a house at Quarry Bay about three weeks ago was this afternoon committed by the Police Magistrate for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

This morning the master of a large Hongkong fishing junk reported that on the 14th inst. he rescued six men from a wrecked Chinachew fishing boat south of Gao Rock. He carried them on with him, doing all he could for their comfort, and handed them over to the authorities on arrival here to-day. The rescued men state that during the night of the 13th they were run down by their escort, which deserted them, and they were much exhausted when picked up.

HERE is the latest sample of No. 1 Foochow. A Chinese merchant who was ill allowed five "fortune tellers" to swindle him out of \$9,534.75 between the 16th ult. and the 26th last, on pretence of procuring longevity and riches for him. As the promised results seemed long in coming the old man at length became suspicious and caused the arrest of three of the gang. The two leaders have escaped. The case will be called on at the Police Court on the 5th prox.

SINCE August last we have had an exceptionally small rainfall. During September only 3.72 inches were registered, and at the end of that month the Water Authority cut the supply down to one hour per diem. During October, November and December there was no appreciable rainfall, so the heavy fall on Sunday, when 0.58 inch was recorded, was the first shower of sufficient magnitude to flush out evil-smelling storm water drains.

We read in an Australian exchange that on the 1st instant New South Wales won the cricket match against Victoria, chiefly owing to McKittrick's splendid bowling. He averaged 8 wickets for 93 runs in the second innings of the Victorians. The grand total of the eleven was 738 for the winners against 615 for Victoria. The highest individual scores were Donnan (Sydney) 160, and Graham and Bruce (Vic.) 103 and 90, respectively. There was an enormous attendance and the gate-money reached £1,200.

A NEW departure in the anti-Li crusade is, according to the N.C. Daily News, the forthcoming arraignment of Lo Feng-lob, the well-known Naval Secretary and henchman of the ex-Viceroy. The Censors have memorialised the Throne on his official shortcomings. As usual in Chinese intrigue there are wheels within wheels in these matters; and Lo Taotai is probably less the victim of his official demerits than the flock of hawks who seek through him to strike at higher game. Until quite recently Mr. Lo was thought to be a strong candidate for high office, such as the Tientsin Hauku Tao; it would not be the first time that impeachment had cleared the platform of a powerful rival.

THE China Gazette is informed that the following gentlemen have been appointed by the French Government to the Consulates mentioned. All except the last two have been in China for several years and are proficient Chinese scholars. Monsieur Haas, to be Consul at Chungking; Dautremer, Vice-Consul at Hankow; Bons d'Autey, Consul at Siam; Giellier, Vice-Consul at Hoken; Kahn, Vice-Consul at Tongking; de Pomerey, Vice-Consul at Chelow; Degoux, Vice-Consul at Pakhoi; Francois, Vice-Consul at Long Tchew; Boudry, Vice-Consul at Formosa (probably at Tamshui).

THE Impending impeachment of Sheng Taotai, who was in Shanghai a few days ago, is attracting much notice in native circles in Peking and Tientsin, says a Shanghai paper. This step has been so often threatened that most foreigners are now completely sceptical as to its ever becoming an accomplished fact. The delay, it is said, has been entirely due to the magnitude of the preliminary investigations and to the time necessarily consumed in collecting evidence from the several provinces in which the Taotai has held office. Li Ping-heng, the Governor of Shantung, has now completed his report; as anticipated, it is entirely adverse to Sheng and it is generally believed in native circles that he will meet with short shrift and small favour.

IT has been ordained that Chinese residents in the Northern Territory will in the future be subject to the "rule of thumb." That is to say, when a Chinaman takes out an exemption certificate he will be required to make an impression of his thumb on the certificate, and when he returns to Australia from the Flowery Land he will have to make another just like the original, or go home again. In France, where this system is much in vogue, it is declared to be an infallible means of identification, scientific going so far as to assert that no two persons can have an impression exactly alike. We might add, says the Palmerston Times, that it would probably require a scientific person well up in the lines of the thumb to distinguish the difference between one impression and another, when they are apparently similar to the unpractised eye.

TO ADVERTISEES.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this day's issue not later than Three O'clock so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a month will be returned until countermanded.

Whilst the editor of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be ready to receive correspondence on all questions affecting public interest, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW.—30th January.

At 11 a.m.—English Mail closes.

At noon.—Meeting of Kowloon Land and Building Company.

At 3 p.m.—Auction of leasehold property, Mount Kellet Road.

At 5 p.m.—Competitions at the V.R.C. gymnasium.

FRIDAY.—31st January.

At noon.—Meeting of shareholders of the H.K. & C. Macao Steamboat Co.

At 5 p.m.—Convocation of Cathay Chapter.

At 8.30 p.m.—Annual meeting of members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders.

SATURDAY.—1st February.

The Registers of Shares of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation close from this date to 15th instant inclusive.

At 3 p.m.—Auction on the spot of Lots 1 to 18, adjoining race-course, for the erection thereon of booths, etc.

At 9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

SUNDAY.—2nd February.

At daylight.—Boats leave for San Francisco via several ports of call.

A PETITION has been filed for the liquidation of the estate of T. E. White (Alfred Shaw and Co.), Brisbane, merchant, the liabilities being set down at close on £100,000.

Some Chinese capitalists of Melbourne have started bacon curing. Operations are conducted in a small scale, but there are, says the Bulletin, indications that John understands the work and means business.

Maj. George Frond, 1st Batt. Northumberland Fusiliers, has been selected for the appointment of district inspector of musketry, Aldershot, vice Major A. D. Bulpitt, Derbyshire Regt., who vacates the post on becoming a second in command.

WENG TUNG-HO, President of the Board of Revenue, has memorised the Dragon Throne in favour of establishing mint in Peking for the purpose of coining dollars and small coins with foreign machinery similar to those opened at Canton and Wo-chang.

YESTERDAY ten Jersey cows, bred in Australia, were landed here yesterday for Mr. J. Kennedy's dairy. The excellent condition in which this valuable consignment has been delivered here reflects the greatest credit on those who had charge of the "coos" on the voyage from Amoy.

TO-MORROW, at 4.15 p.m., the remains of what was once a fairly useful and more or less popularly constituted Sanitary Board, in solemn conclave assembled will deeply consider "an application for permission to allow the paving beneath the flag" to obtain full satisfaction for what might be regarded as an insult to the flag, and goodness knows what else besides. After a short stay at Amoy Admiral Hoffman's squadron left that busy little coast port and entered and (according to our Amoy correspondent) surveyed the harbour and approached to Quemoy, which, as will be seen by the wood-cut enclosed with this issue of the Hongkong Telegraph, is opposite to and very near Amoy. This was in November last and since then the German squadron in question, with the exception of the Iltis, has been here and refitted and, save the Kaiser, which had to go into dock owing to having touched an unknown rock near Amoy, returned to Amoy, while the Arcona, which is supposed to have been surveying the approaches to Lappa, near Macao, and Iltis resumed the survey of Quemoy.

Assuming that Germany has come to an understanding with China respecting the annexation of Quemoy or some other island suitable for a coaling station, all this surveying business is comprehensible, and it may be as plausible an explanation of German naval activity as it would be reasonable on the part of the German Government, which presumably looks for some gold pro quo for services recently rendered in conjunction with Russia and France. Germany, with her important and ever-increasing trade with the Far East, has no foothold on the continent of Asia. France has a big slice of the southernmost part of it, and Russia is well established in the north, while Great Britain holds Hongkong. Why, then, seeing that Germany's commercial interests in

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him (the Sub-Prefect) to see that there be no delay nor breach of orders. Accordingly, being in receipt of the above, the writer (Cheung), as in duty bound, now issues this proclamation in the hope that all persons, of whatever extraction they may be, at Amoy, will take notice. And you proprio should understand that if German warships come sailing into your port or into the waters of Kam-moon, their object is merely to survey the force of the tides, and that there is no other intent in the matter, therefore there is no need for fear or suspicion, and you must on no account create any disturbance whence trouble would arise. This proclamation is to be tremblingly obeyed and there must be no disobedience. A special proclamation. Stamped in red, "Obey." [L.S.]

The 6th day of 12th moon in the 21st year of Kwang-hau (26th January, 1896).

This proclamation is to be posted up on the Lung-tan Road on the islet of Ku-long-sao.

Printed in red; "Recorded."

(Note of Translator.—Tz-chia is a prefectural (Chia-kang) city, near Amoy, in Lat. 24° 56' Lo g. 118° 51'. Kammon is a coast-guard station near the district city of Hutching, situated in Lat. 37° 50' Long. 117° 45'.

The translator of this proclamation thinks that the idea of "holting the flag" has probably arisen, or been furthered, by the phrase in the document which is translated, "signalling" but which in the original is expressed by two words which literally mean "raising (or hoisting) a flag," and which (as there is no distinction of singular and plural in Chinese nouns) might also mean *hoisting* and (as there is no definite or indefinite articles in the Chinese language) might mean "hoisting the flag." As in the Chinese text the phrase *hoisting* (or *raising*) flags is intermixed with "exercise, or drill" and "tide surveying," the friend to whom we are greatly indebted for the translation has no doubt that the correct idiomatic rendering of the phrase "raising flags" is, as translated, "signalling" in this particular connection.

Our friend's opinions are doubtless well worthy of consideration. It certainly appears strange, though, that the Chinese authorities should have seen fit to issue a proclamation on this subject in the current month, and have done nothing of the kind when extensive surveys of Quemoy were conducted in November last. It may be, however, that the German Admiral prefers to drill his men at Quemoy rather than at Amoy, and therefore induced the German Minister in Peking to instruct the Consul at Amoy to favour him with his good offices in this connection.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM FROM AMOY:
Since the above was set up in type we received

the following telegram from our Amoy correspondent:—

"Amoy, January 29th.
Also p.m.
Nothing of importance has occurred here.
I am sending a report by the Hallam."

This message, then, settles the question for the time being; and we must therefore await further advices from our correspondent before dealing further with this interesting subject.

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE GERMAN EMPIRE.

We read in the *Kobe Chronicle* that on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the formal proclamation of the German Empire, which took place at Versailles on the 18th January, 1871, all the German houses in Kobe hoisted the national flag, and in the evening there was a large gathering at the Club Concordia. Mr. Thiel read some lines specially composed for the occasion, from which the *Chronicle* makes the following extract:—

Durch deutsche Eichen ist alle fernes Rauschen,
Vergessene Wölter werden wieder regen,
Und der Vaterlande Schmerzen milde Tönen;
Dass altes Alters anstrengt zu lauschen.
Das singt von fröhlichen deutschen Kaiserprangen
Von feinen Fehden, kühnen Heldensaggen
Und, Niedergang und Auferstehung;
Die Käfer sind aufgerichtet, haben Flügel;
Sie krächzen laut und klagen rath der Nacht
Des Endes deutsches Ruhmes und deutscher Macht.

Es mischt sich unter die Gesänge ein Deutsches Lied, das singt: "Vaterland, wir sind hier!" Sie singen laut und lauter ihren Regen
Bis die Käferhauer Raben müde schwärmen,
Dass sie und das gescheiterte Haupt
Der Käferhauer prangen schämen.
Und aus des Kriegslands Asche phönixiges
In alter Pracht erhebt das Deutsche Reich
Im Nord und Süde als reiches Land,
Vom Meer zum Alpenland den Vaterland!

Drum lasst uns festlich das Tag hegen,
Lasst von den Dächern deutsche Flaggen waben,
Lasst uns den Helden denkend mit Freuden,
Zu danken den Herrn, der uns mit dem Glase klagten,
Durch dass den Saal es braue sturmwindlich
Hurrat! Hurrah! Hurrah!

The reading of these lines was received with the greatest enthusiasm, the cheering being again and again renewed. The musical part of the programme consisted of Mendelssohn's overture to the "Hebriden," by two violins, cello, organ and piano, and the rendering of Haydn's Kaiserquartett by two violins, viola, and cello. Both pieces were executed with admirable expression and finish; in fact, it may, says our *Kobe Chronicle*, well be doubted whether professional musicians could have improved on the fine rendering given. After an interval a play, written by Mr. Thiel, and entitled "In Himmelschlesches Gedächtnis," was acted by members of the Club, and as it was full of local and personal allusions, its performance created the most uproarious merriment. Supper followed, and one of the most successful social evenings given by the Club came to an end some time in the small hours of the morning.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

JAPAN AND KOREA.

For the following items we are indebted to our Japanese exchanges, dates of which to the 21st instant are to hand.

All the members in the Korean Legation, Tokyo, cut their hair early this month.

During last year two Japanese women were married to foreigners.

The Korean Minister to America left Japan for the States on the 15th inst. by the *City of Rio de Janeiro*.

The Crown Prince of Japan has been at Hayama, Kamakura, for some time past to avoid the cold weather in Tokyo.

The steamer *Rosary*, lately sold to the Japanese, averaged 13 knots on a trial trip on the 19th inst.

Tidal waves wrecked many houses in Fushiki on the 18th inst.

The Japanese steamer *Hatsuk Maru*, with a full freight, and 400 passengers, on the way to Formosa, sank off the Yawema Group on the 28th ult. No lives were lost. The vessel and cargo were fully insured.

The Kobe Municipal Assembly has asked the Government for a subsidy to build water-works for the town.

Vokkoma and Tokio have remitted \$2,895 to the "Edgar" Relief Fund.

Fire broke out in the Osaka Post Office on the 16th, but was extinguished before much damage was done.

A combined movement was begun against the Formosa insurgents on the 15th. It was thought the world would complete the subjection.

An ex-convict in Kobe has received \$200 from the Government for finding letters from Li Hung-chang on the *Sydney* during the war.

A fire in Yoshibashi, Shizuoka province, on the 12th instant destroyed one hundred and forty houses.

Gold to the value of \$16,000 and silver 272,000 were coined at Osaka during to the amount of December.

A Japanese junk from Sanaomigacho was badly burned on the 14th at Kobe.

The Kobe Regatta and Athletic Club propose to hold a Town Hall for that port.

The foreign population of Tokio now numbers 65,000 individuals, of whom 400 are males, and 25,000 females. Americans are in the majority.

Three persons were killed by a dynamite explosion at Sasebo on the 28th ult. whilst dredging the harbour.

In consequence of thunderstorms, the importation of live cattle from certain infected districts is prohibited by the Tokio Police.

The Yokohama Choral Society have been rehearsing "The Bride of Dunkirk" for presentation on the 29th inst.

THE FIRST SIGN OF THE TROUBLE.

JOHANNESBURG, 26th December.

A manifesto, issued by the National Union and addressed to the people of the Transvaal, is published to-day. After dealing with various grievances, the manifesto sets forth the following programme:—

1. The establishment of a Republic as a true Republic under a constitution approved by the 2. An equitable franchise and fair representation.

3. The equality of the Dutch and English languages.

4. The responsibility to the Legislature of the heads of the great departments.

5. The removal of religious disabilities.

6. The establishment of independent Courts of justice with adequate pay for the Judges, which shall be properly secured.

7. Liberal education.

8. An efficient Civil Service, with an adequate pay and pension system.

9. Free trade in African products.

The manifesto concludes as follows:—"We shall expect an answer in plain terms according to your deliberate judgment at the meeting to be held on January 6th."

JOHANNESBURG, December 29th.

It is announced that the meeting of the Transvaal National Union, which was to have been held on the 29th inst., has been postponed till January 6th. Reports are freely circulated that the committee of the Union postponed the meeting in consequence of hints from Pretoria that it would be dangerous to the public peace, but Mr. Charles Leonard, the chairman of the Union, writes to the *Johannesburg Star*, saying that the committee recognises the gravity of the position and are anxious not to hold the meeting until they are fully prepared with resolutions and ready to define what steps should be taken to secure public right. He says that it was thought advisable to leave time for cool reflection before coming to the meeting. The chairman says that the Union will expect from the meeting a clear mandate on the manifesto defining the position of the Union which is promised for to-morrow.

BERLIN, December 29th.

It is hard to say what amount of significance should be attributed to the increasing attention bestowed in this country upon South African questions, with which, at first sight, Germany would seem to have little reason to concern herself. But it is worth noting that, of late especially, the position of the Transvaal and of the Orange Free State appear to exercise the German mind keenly as if those Republics were the direct offshoots of the German Fatherland, and the dangers which are supposed to threaten them from the insoluble ambition of Mr. Cecil Rhodes, the Napoleon of South Africa, form a frequent and congenital theme of discussion in a spirit of anything but friendliness towards England. Now, if one may be allowed to vary a remark recently made by the *North-German Gazette* with reference to British sentimentalism, leaving off where British sentimentalism begins, it may be said that German sentiment is not easily aroused where German interests are not believed to be involved, and one is driven to the conclusion that Germany would not display so much sympathy for her very distant kinsmen in South Africa if she had not some special use marked out for them in the interests, either actual or prospective, of German policy.

According to the *Japan Mail* the direct expenditure made by Japan on account of the war amounts to yen 355,388,562. A dividend of 8 per cent for the half year has been paid.

A native resident in Tokyo, Amano, of the *Yamada Railway Co.* for yen 499 for the death of his daughter caused by collision.

The Russian Minister on the 16th inst. had a conversation with Count Hilfiker, Minister of the Imperial Household, at the Imperial Palace.

The Tokio Rope Manufacturing Co. has paid a 20 per cent dividend.

The Oji Paper Company of Tokio is to double its capital and plant.

Seventeen houses at Asakusa, Tokio, were destroyed by fire on the 15th inst.

Several hundred houses were burned at Tajiri, Miyagi prefecture, on the 13th inst., these including the Post Office.

A series of meetings of sericulturists throughout the country commenced in Tokio on the 15th inst.

A French firm in Yokohama is said to be negotiating for the purchase of a copper mine in Miyagi Prefecture.

The Osaka Stock Exchange has distributed yen 80,000 among the shareholders as a dividend for the past half-year.

Coinstall, yes pieces, said to be made in India, are in circulation in Yokohama.

The *Yokohama Mail* of the 21st inst. contains an article defending the Japanese for refusing to allow the steamer *Nanking* to enter Port Arthur, as she could steam 6 knots, as was proved.

It holds that the loss of the steamer was not in any way due to her condition, but was caused through an error of the Captain rendered possible by the heavy snow storm that came on after she left that port.

According to the *Japan Mail* the direct expenditure made by Japan on account of the war amounts to yen 355,388,562. This does not include pensions, relief to the families of those killed, or the cost of occupying Wei-hai-wei. The *Mail* thinks that by the time the indirect costs are paid, the yen 350,000,000 received from China will not cover the outlay.

The steamer *Sakura Maru*, which left Kobe on the 10th, was found to be on fire on the 13th. The ship was beached, but before the fire was subdued, nearly all the wood-work was destroyed and the cargo badly damaged. She was towed into Kobe on the 15th by the *Hakkai Maru*.

At Shimomosaki, on the 15th, a lady passenger by the *Toku Maru* from Shanghai to Yokohama was beaten into insensibility by coal-cookers for having shaved one of them. The captain caused the arrest of four of those implicated in the dastardly outrage, and the affair has been warmly taken up by the U.S. Consul at Yokohama.

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FAST PASSAGES AND BEST ROUTES.

Before a meeting of the Shipmasters' Society, held in the rooms of the London Chamber of Commerce, Captain Blackmore in the chair, a paper on "Fast Passages and Best Routes," was read by Mr. William Allingham. The author remarked that steam had not yet driven the sailing ship from off the seas. Fifty years ago there were not more than 150 sailing ships in existence in the British merchant navy exceeding 400 tons register. The most sought after sailing ships had increased from 1,000 tons in 1860 to 15,000 tons in 1870 and to 2,000 tons in 1880. Apparently 2,500 to 3,000 tons register would be the approved size of the paying sailing ship in 1900. Steamships had also increased in size, and evidently the *Great Eastern* had merely the misfortune to be born too soon. To the illustrations, averaged 13 knots on a trial trip on the 19th inst.

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Mr. H. N. NODY, The Hon. T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Mr. J. J. FRANCIS, Q.C.
C. MURRAY ADAMSON,
Hon. Secretary & Treasurer,
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1866. [187]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

NO. 27.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the 1st to 29th February, 1866, (Sundays excepted), between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. daily, as follows:

From Stone Cutters' Island in Easterly and South-Westerly directions.

From Belcher's Upper and Lower in Northerly and Westerly directions.

From Kowloon Dock and East in Easterly and South-Easterly directions.

From North Point in Northerly and North-Westerly direction.

From Lytton, in Easterly and South-Easterly directions.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

The Inhabitants of the houses near Belchers, Kowloon Dock and East, at Stone Cutters' Island are warned to keep their glass windows open during the PRACTICE, and all people working in the vicinity of Belcher's Batteries are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by gunners placed on sentry for the purpose.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong, 18th January, 1866. [217]

JURY LIST, 1866.

NOTICE is hereby given that Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 6 of THE JURY CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE NO. 18 of 1857, I have on the 23d instant caused to be posted, at the CHIEF ENTRANCE to the COURT House, a LIST of all PERSONS ascertained by me to be liable to serve as JURORS.

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